



National Park Service
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Grand Canyon National Park
Backcountry Information Center

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Backcountry Permit Request Form

Things to Know Before Applying

How to Apply. PERMIT REQUESTS ARE NOT ACCEPTED BY TELEPHONE OR EMAIL. Requests will be considered no earlier than the first of the month, four months prior to the proposed start month; please allow up to three weeks for your request to be processed. Submit your permit request form in one of the following ways:

- Fax request to the Backcountry Information Center, 928-638-2125. You can send a fax 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. The first day of every month we receive many faxes and the number may be busy.
- Mail request to Grand Canyon National Park, Permits Office, 1824 South Thompson Street, Suite 201, Flagstaff AZ, 86001
- Bring request to the Backcountry Information Center, located inside the park on both the South Rim and the North Rim.

Safety. Travel in Grand Canyon National Park backcountry has inherent risks and hikers assume complete responsibility for their own safety. Rescue is not a certainty. Backcountry users should be in good physical condition and should be able to survive on their own by taking the necessary precautions and equipment. Your safety is your responsibility. Visit www.nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/hike-tips.htm for more information.

Regulations. Grand Canyon hikers are responsible for knowing and obeying all backcountry rules and regulations. Visit www.nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/backcountry-regs.htm for more information.

Multiple Permits. In order to safeguard the highest quality backcountry experience for all hikers, regulations stipulate that all permits are void when a group (i.e. same club, organization, group of friends, etc.) obtains multiple permits for the same campground or use area for the same night.

Itinerary. You may submit as many itinerary choices as you wish (use additional pages if necessary, be sure to include your full name on all additional pages). Itineraries can be longer than seven nights. To ensure a backcountry permit reflects your request, dates must be consecutive within itinerary. Include nights at Phantom Ranch, on Forest Service land, and on Tribal land.

Permit Cost. \$10 per permit plus \$8 per person or stock animal per night camped below the rim and \$8 per group per night camped above the rim. Denied requests will not incur a charge. Permits cancelled at least four days in advance will receive hiker credit (minus a \$10 cancellation charge) valid for one year. Backcountry Information Center charges are NON-REFUNDABLE! (Note: permits with start dates before Oct-1-2015 are \$10/permit plus \$5/person/night below the rim and \$5/group/night above the rim.)

For more information including seasonal hiking tips, trail information, Leave No Trace, Hike Smart, and private stock requirements visit www.nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/backcountry.htm

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: A Federal Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. This information is being collected to allow the park manager to make a valued judgment on whether or not to allow the requested use. All the applicable parts of this form must be completed.

Estimated Burden Statement: Public Reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 5 minutes per response, including the time it takes for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form should be sent to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, National Park Service, 1849 C St., NW (2601), Washington, D.C. 20240.

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Name: _____ Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Country: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Trailhead Vehicle 1 Rental? ☐ Yes ☐ No State: _____ Plate: _____

Trailhead Vehicle 2 Rental? ☐ Yes ☐ No State: _____ Plate: _____

Is this an organized or guided trip? ☐ Yes ☐ No Group/Organization Name: _____
(if part of a larger group obtaining more than one permit, organization name is required)

Number of People (1-11): _____

Number of Stock: _____

Itinerary First Choice

Beginning Trailhead: _____

Ending Trailhead: _____

Night	Date (m/d/yy)	Use Area Code or Campground
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		

Itinerary Second Choice (optional)

Beginning Trailhead: _____

Ending Trailhead: _____

Night	Date (m/d/yy)	Use Area Code or Campground
1		
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You may submit as many itinerary choices as you wish, attach additional pages as needed.

Additional Trip Choices (If all choices are unavailable, the NPS will retry using options selected below)

- ☐ Similar/nearby Campsites ☐ Trip Length (number of nights): _____
- ☐ Start Dates: Earliest _____ Latest _____
- ☐ Minimum Group Size: _____ (more permits are available for small groups of 6 or fewer)

Technical Canyoneering and Pack Rafting (check box if listed gear will be used)

- ☐ Technical gear to descend slot canyons ☐ Pack raft or similar

Hiker Credit ☐ Use hiker credit on file

Method of Payment ☐ MasterCard ☐ Visa ☐ Discover ☐ American Express

Total Cost Authorized: _____ Name on Card: _____ Signature: _____

Expiration Date

Card Number

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